

a1 user to determine whether to retrieve data from a server before retrieving any data other than the header.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 19 of page 5 with the following:

a2 --In accordance with a first embodiment of the invention a server system and method is responsive to a request for data from a client browser. The server receives from the client a HEAD request for the header of a data file or document. Responsive to the HEAD request, the server serves to the browser data file header information including data type and data size. Thereafter, upon receiving from the browser a GET request, the server serves to the browser the data file or document corresponding to the header.--

REMARKS

The above amendment and these remarks are in response to the communication from Examiner Hai V. Nguyen, dated 15 Jan 2002.